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AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT. THE PROHIBITION VOTE.

ORPHEUM—Vaudeville. OREGON'S OBJECT LESSON.

The first Congressional election of the year in Oregon is over, and while the wounded are being taken to the hospital and the killed are being buried beyond all hope of resurrection, we may survey the battlefield with unprejudiced eyes. Oregon was once so strongly a Democratic State that an election was virtually settled in the nominating conventions, and the people clamored for a change. From a State that had two Democratic Senators and one Democratic member of the lower house as late as 1879, it became a State good for 10,000 Republican majority, on any direct issue, in 1890. Her overwhelming strength has proven disastrous.

Whenever a party becomes so powerful that a nomination is equivalent to an election, that party is in danger. For the choice of officers is taken out of the hands of the people at the ballot box and placed in the hands of the professional politicians, who manipulate and control conventions. Such was the case in Oregon where the smoke of a great political battle is now clearing away. The Oregon election is merely the self-emanipation of the people from boss rule in the conventions.

Never was a city worse plundered than Portland has been, for the sake of supporting "the machine." One of the bosses, now happily deceased, was an almost illiterate blacksmith, who got the appointment of Collector of the Port under Mr. Harrison and was subsequently convicted of smuggling opium and Chinese into the very port of which he was collector. Another was the lawfully wedded husband of a woman of the town, while a third, who worked the fire department in the interest of the ring, was a prize-fighter who had his nose broken by the redoubtable Jack Dempsey. For four years a saloon-keeper, who came to that city in 1882 with less than \$10 in his pocket, has been deriving a monthly revenue of \$500 through his "pull" in allowing far games to run night and day, as they did in '49. An honest old steamboat pilot was chosen Chief of Police and endeavored to suppress these dens of iniquity. In less than ninety days he was removed from office at the instigation of the bosses, who stood in need of the gamblers' votes on election day.

The consequence is that a Populist Mayor has been elected for the big city of Portland just because the last Republican Mayor, although a merchant and presumably reputable as a citizen, stood in with the ring and allowed the tax-eaters to keep the treasury continually empty. One of the Republican nominees for Congress is beaten beyond doubt and the fate of the other still hangs in jeopardy. And all this in a State which gave Harrison over 7000 majority in 1888 and which has just elected a Republican Supreme Judge by nearly 10,000 majority, for no other reason than that he was known to be an honest man.

Is the Oregon election an object lesson? Do not the intelligent voters in the Republican party see, written plainly on the wall, the doom of that party if professional manipulation of conventions are allowed to go on in the future as they have done in the past? With a City Council handled by the hireling emissaries of the Southern Pacific Company and a Mayor whose ability is limited to drawing his salary, the Republican voters have not much to be proud of, certainly. There is a deep disgust and a widely-spread spirit of dissatisfaction at the way in which municipal affairs have been conducted in the past two years. If the ring managers persist in putting up such pliant tools as the present Mayor and Council for re-election, the people will defeat them and the next Mayor will either be a Democrat or a Populist. The Oregon drama will be re-enacted in Los Angeles and the ringsters will have only themselves to thank for it.

The members of the City Council who voted in favor of the Huntington steal of \$3,000,000 will probably not be conspicuous at the reception to Senator White on his return home, but "Uncle Collis" will be along this way one of these days, and then they can just fairly sling themselves!

Having penned his famous veto message on the River and Harbor Bill, Mr. Cleveland blew out the gas and jumped into bed regardless of the fact that the fool-killer never bothers his head about men who grab loaded guns by the muzzle.

great sign of a remedy. There is one-third of the party that is dissatisfied with Mr. Cleveland and another third that has no earthly use for Gov. Budd, so that it is a safe wager that the Democracy will not elect ten members of the next Assembly or three State Senators. It would not surprise us to see the next Assembly 55 Republicans, 17 Populists and 8 Democrats.

The Fire Department has again demonstrated its masterly efficiency by the gallant way in which it handled the big blaze in the oil region Saturday night. Chief Moore and Assistant Chief Smith both did splendid service and the entire department covered itself with glory. Los Angeles may well be proud of the brave men who go to make up its defenders against the ravages of the fire fiend. The Times salutes them!

The animosity stirred up against the Southern Pacific of Kentucky in Southern California by the Huntington game will probably cost that corporation much more, in loss of business, than the \$3,000,000 it endeavored to siphon from the United States treasury. The people of this section are not likely to soon forget this little episode, and they may be depended upon to get even with the octopus in their own way.

A Populist in the Mayor's chair at Portland may not be a very pleasing sight to many of the Republicans of that city, but it is a fixed fact, nevertheless. A similar distasteful spectacle awaits the Republicans of Los Angeles, if they have the bad taste to put up "Hizzoner" for re-election next fall. The trees leave in the spring and the Mayor should leave when the snow begins to fly.

Three desperadoes held up a store full of two hundred people and got away with their booty. This is conclusive evidence that Porkopolis may no longer be catalogued as a part of the wild and woolly West. The W. and W. would have bagged the miscreants.

The country will rise up and rejoice with a big R over the fact that "the Filled Cheese Bill" has at last been disposed of, as Sairy Gamp would say. It has been cumbering the halls of Congress and burdening the telegraph wires until the country has reeked with cheese. Let it r. i. p.

This is California weather with all that the term implies. Bright sunshine, cool breezes fresh from the wastes of the open sea, the odor of roses in the air—weather fit to live in, and there is none other on the earth to compare with it.

That Skowhegan (Me.) woman who testified against her husband before the pension bureau in March, now wishes she hadn't done it. He is dead and she can get no widow's allowance.

The Democratic bear pit at Chicago is all ready for the animals who are to be turned loose therein on July 7. It promises to be a show worth going miles to see.

St. Louis has overshadowed Chicago for the time being, but the latter will become again "the windy city" when the Democratic convention gets to blowing.

One of the rising statesmen of Kentucky is named Gov. Parrish. It behooves Secretary Hoke Smith and Col. Dink Botts to look out for their laurels.

If the Democrats adopt a 16-to-1 plank they will be found sashaying about as "silver threads among the gold" in the manner of the old song.

The name of "Windy City" as applied to Chicago seems to have entirely lost its significance in the light of recent events at St. Louis.

Only six months more and Los Angeles will have a new city government. It cannot fail to be an improvement on the present one.

Mr. Reed of Maine, who is demanding first place or nothing, will, from all appearances, get the latter by a safe majority.

The cuckoos should not flutter at the turning down they are getting from Grover, for they richly deserve it.

Mr. Cleveland vetoed the River and Harbor Bill and Congress has since vetoed Mr. Cleveland.

Pennoyer of Oregon is now located in another position where he can show off.

Fresno has an Armenian horror that sounds like an echo from beyond the sea.

Mr. Astor has had a party. Hoorny for Billy!

As remains Tom Platt is a howling success.

AT THE PLAYHOUSES.

ATTRACTION TONIGHT. The Orpheum will have everything its own way this week, every other theater in town being dark to the world, but the same sterling array of features is promised as though there was competition on every block.

Here is the programme: Fields and Lewis, parodists and comedians; Ransome, the great story-teller and all around fun dispenser; the three mighty Nightingales in a great show of music; Tons Chevalier, the trick violinist; Morton and Mack, the jolly pair of comedians and bag-pipe players; Carr and Jordan, sketch artists; and Watson and Du Fre, Dutch comedians. The same will appear every night.

VACATION NOTE. The husband now will stay in town and gather shakels in. While the family they will roll around and make the shakels spin. (Philadelphia North American.)

SILVER MEN CONTROL

They Will Undoubtedly Have a Good Majority at Chicago.

Kentucky Settled the Question Beyond Reasonable Doubt.

Conservative Analysis of the Situation Shows the Silver Democrats Over Five Hundred Votes. The Silver Strength.

(Washington Post.) The result in Kentucky Saturday, when the silver Democrats practically swept the State, makes it absolutely certain that the free-coinage men will be in the majority at the Chicago convention. If the unit rule is enforced in various States where the gold advocates have a few delegates the majority may run as high as 150. Under the most conservative estimate it cannot be less than 100.

The first intimation of this control of the silver element was given in these columns nearly two months ago. At that time the prediction was met with incredulity and some among politicians generally and with indignation on the part of spokesmen of the administration. Although at that time Oregon was the only State in which the Democrats had met in a large extent, the forecast was proved that the forecast was accurate to a remarkable degree.

If the convention is composed of 910 delegates—and this is dependent entirely upon the number admitted from the Territories and the District of Columbia—the majority will be 455. This is accurate enough for all practical purposes. Of this majority the silver men are called by the States to be 100. States will go to the convention with solid delegations pledged to free coinage.

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Arkansas 16 Oregon 8
California 18 South Carolina 21
Colorado 10 Tennessee 21
Idaho 6 Texas 20
Iowa 25 Virginia 21
Kansas 18 Wyoming 6
Kentucky 16 New Mexico 6
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Maine 6 Oklahoma 6
Mississippi 6 District Columbia 2
Montana 6 Nevada 2
Nebraska 22 Total 430

Even in this conservative estimate, based on delegations from silver States only, the silver Democrats have a majority. The table is conservative only, the silver men will be ready to appreciate when it is obvious that the silver men will be in the majority. There is a probability of a divided delegation, nor any State where the result is the least in doubt.

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The recent silver movement, if it can be traced to any one episode, can be traced to the veto of the President's bill for the coinage of the silver dollar. It was a realization of the situation, the pendulum began to swing to the free coinage side.

The silver movement has been intensified also because President Cleveland has refused to publicly declare his position on the silver question. He has not said a word in favor of silver, and because of the administration at the Michigan State Convention, he has long ago as last summer the friends of the President began to labor in nearly every State in the Union to capture the delegations from those States. Their purpose, thinly disguised, was to control the nomination of the Democratic candidate for the Presidency, even if they did not go so far as to nominate Mr. Cleveland himself. This movement created general suspicion and distrust. The sudden and "pernicious" activity of

every Federal office-holder throughout the United States was resented as being part of an organized effort to again place Mr. Cleveland at the head of the party ticket. Cleveland stood for gold. The opposition flocked to the silver standard, not always because it favored silver, but because it was anti-administration. If the President had at any time within the last six months made a plain and unequivocal declaration of his purpose not to accept a nomination under any circumstances whatever, he would have saved the cause of the so-called "sound money." The lines have been drawn and the fight is on.

Certain disclosures which have been made regarding the action of the administration forces at the Michigan Democratic Convention have aroused bitter feeling in the West, although they have been published with any detail in the East. In a letter to Senator Vest, written by George F. Hummer, a leading silver Democrat of Michigan, a remarkable story is related. He says that on the night when the Michigan convention declared for gold and adopted the unit rule Elliott G. Stevenson, a law partner of Don M. Dickinson, while boasting of the way in which the silver men had been defeated, told him that the party which President Cleveland had in the affair, Mr. Stevenson said that Mr. Cleveland telegraphed him to come to Washington, and when he arrived here told him that the State must declare against silver and endorse the administration. Mr. Stevenson said that he repented that the State was very largely for silver; that even Kentucky, out of which Mr. Hummer is a native, had been a bassor to Germany, had gone for silver; that there was no way in which to prevent the election of a large majority of free-silver delegates to the convention. The President insisted he thought that "the State could be stolen for the administration."

The President's action, so Mr. Stevenson went on to say, and gave him carte blanche to use the postmasters and Federal officials as he might choose. He returned to Michigan, and in summing up all the Federal officials, had many of them agree to run as silver candidates for the coming year. Mr. Stevenson understood that they should vote against silver when they were elected. According to Mr. Hummer, this program was carried out and with the result everybody is familiar.

might be dangerous to place McKinley on a platform declaring for gold alone, and the gold men may dominate the Republican convention, and may make a plank of their own liking.

In this perplexity, it is said that the writing of the financial plank of the platform will be intrusted to Senator John Sherman. No one could be more plainly than he in putting up a plank that will show gold on one side and silver on the other, or a mixture of both, according to the point of view. The fact that it was prepared by Senator Sherman would satisfy the business and financial world, while a squint toward "international bimetallicism," which is a play upon words which may or may not fool the people, will make it palatable to those who do not want to be classed in the category of "gold-bugs."

Senator Burrows of Michigan believes that the outlook for Republican success with a free coinage Democrat in the field is dubious. So does Senator Lodge of Massachusetts. So do a score of others, including Senator Gallinger, who has been recently mentioned as the possible chairman of the Republican National Committee. The discussion of this contingency would require more space than this already lengthy review can afford. In brief, however, it seems to me that the doubt of these Republicans is not well founded. Far from it, in fact, it is a general rule that the loss on the Democratic side will not be offset by gains. The Cleveland administration gold standard Democrat would rather, as a general rule, vote with the Republican party than with his own, provided he has not had his own vote in the Democratic convention. In Kentucky, where he has a dozen gold Democrats in the Legislature prevented the election of a silver Senator, thousands of Democrats in the State would either vote for the Republican nominee or else will not vote at all. Under the conditions of the present campaign, the Republican party would go Republican. The same conditions exactly prevail in Missouri and in Illinois. In Virginia the other day 7000 gold Democrats rallied against the primaries. In Chicago, out of all the Democrats in that city, less than 5000 voted in the Democratic convention. The gold men stand away. This is the condition among the Democrats all over the country.

With the Republicans, on the other hand, the situation is different. As a whole, they believe that the election of McKinley will bring prosperity, and they already regard his election as an assured fact. With them, except as to a few mining States, silver is not an issue. They are not so much stepping-stone to better times. They will have no adequate reason to desert their own party on the very threshold of its return to power. They are not themselves with a party whose success is not only doubtful, but whose issue may not after all be the same as the issue of the Republican party. It is claimed to be. It is true that some Republican States would go Democratic—Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Utah and Nevada. But power cannot be aggregated, however, only fifteen electoral votes in all—less than the electoral votes of New Jersey, and so the efforts of the Republicans to win the Democratic convention be equally outspoken for the free coinage of both metals. The campaign would be interesting to say the least, and the result one way or the other would settle a question now surrounded by a thick veil of speculation and uncertainty.

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A Daily Resume of Events for Your Scrap Book.

On June 8 of this year occurred the following important events in the world's history:

HOLIDAYS.
Saints Maximilian, Gildard, Medard, Lora, Clovis, William.

THE WEATHER.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles, June 7.—At 5 a.m., the barometer registered 29.90 deg.; at 5 p.m., 29.88. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 59 deg. and 70 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 89 per cent.; 5 p.m., 70 per cent. Wind, 5 a.m., west, velocity, 11 miles; 5 p.m., southwest, velocity, 8 miles. Character of weather, 5 a.m., cloudy; 5 p.m., clear. Maximum temperature, 78 deg. minimum temperature, 53 deg.

The Times

ALL ALONG THE LINE.

Yesterday was a great day for fish in the mountains. By tomorrow a harvest of stories may be expected.

Santa Ana may before long own her own electric lighting system. An election has been called to vote bonds for the equipment of an up-to-date plant.

A night watchman, hired to guard a store yesterday afternoon gutted, by fire, distinguished himself last night by trying to pour oil into a lighted lamp. The result was that he set the building on fire a second time and came near completing the work of destruction of the day.

Some measures should be adopted looking to better water service in the elevated portions of the city. Had it not been for a lack of water, Saturday night's fire would not have been so destructive. That a man can drink from the nozzle of a hose when an engine is doing its best work shows a weakness in the waterworks that a Bourbon would condemn.

The value and desirability of crude oil as a fuel is further evidenced by the efforts large consumers are making to develop oil property. A street-railway company is having several wells drilled and a big brewery firm has been producing the oil for its own consumption for several months. Other important consumers may soon enter the field as producers.

Members of the Orange-growers Exchange at Riverside are discussing the desirability of changing business methods, which would indicate that all is not as it should be. There are many growers who believe the exchanges attempt too much, and that there would be greater harmony if less were attempted. It is believed the result would be a union of almost all growers, where now the exchanges control but half the fruit and consequently fail in their object.

Southern California students of ethical culture may find interesting extracts from the report of a boxing car race in San Francisco recently, as follows: "A squad of police was on hand to see that the fights were conducted on strictly moral and humane principles." The report continues that after one of the fighters "had received a gash in the eye, from which the blood oozed in a good-sized cataract, and his face began to assume the appearance of an Italian sunset in vermilion pigments and oil," the police separated the boxers.

The inadequacy of the cable to do business in emergencies was shown Saturday night's fire. Crowds filled the cars at both ends of the line and the street on Temple street stood motionless, being unable to go beyond the fire on account of those held laid across the tracks. Thousands of spectators walked out to the burning district, being unable to secure conveyances. Had that line been electrified a reversal of the trolley would have permitted rapid trips to and fro and the convenient transportation of the waiting crowds. A cable cannot be reversed and its stoppage results in suspension of transportation and much profanity.

Struggling oil producers met with a serious blow in Saturday night's fire. It is unfortunate they should have been made the victims of a conflagration at a time when the future seemed propitious for recovering some of the heavy losses incurred during periods of greatest depression. Five months ago oil was being on the market at from twenty-five to thirty cents a barrel. During the past few weeks a steady advance has been made and consumers are now striving to make contracts at prices ranging above \$1 a barrel. From imminent ruin a possibility of ultimate wealth seemed almost within reach of the oil-begrimed tollers. While the fire occasioned severe loss, yet it was not in the nature of disaster to the field. Only about 3 per cent. of the derricks in the field were destroyed and a conservative estimate places the loss of oil at less than 3000 barrels, nearly one-third of which flowed into an oil lake and will be recovered. There are hundreds of tanks in the field and but ten were burned. As previously stated, the loss is a severe individual one, but not a field calamity.

ITALIAN PICNIC.

Annual Jollification of the Garibaldi Society. The Garibaldi Society held its annual picnic at Arroyo Seco yesterday. The festivities began at 10 o'clock in the morning and continued till evening. About a thousand people were present and the barbecue was ample for the aggregate appetite. Dancing was the chief attraction at the pavilion and was kept up all day, except during the time of the tombs, in which some fifty valuable prizes were distributed. Representatives of nearly all of the prominent French, Spanish and Italian families of the city were present.

Lost His Left Leg.

About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon a Chinaman, Ah Yen, fell beneath a moving train at the Arcade Depot and his left leg was cut off above the knee. He was trying to avoid a wagon which was moving toward him, when the accident occurred. He was taken to the Receiving Hospital.

Selling Lottery Tickets.

Gin Sney was arrested by Officers Sparks and Smith by 7 o'clock yesterday evening for selling lottery tickets on Center Place. The Chinaman deposited \$50 cash at the Police Station and was released.

Kicked by a Horse.

PORTERVILLE, June 7.—George Sparks, a farmer and stock raiser living at Epperson Flat, fourteen miles north-east of this place, was kicked by a young horse which he was handling yesterday afternoon, dying last night from the injury received. He was 50 years old.

A FAKE SHOW.

White Mahatmas Greeted with Hoots and Cat-Calls. Hoots, hisses and cat-calls were the only means by which the audience at the Los Angeles Theater last evening was able to express its over-wrought feelings at the dreary show of the "White Mahatmas." Dragged its wobbly length along through the hours. As a rule, the average Los Angeles audience leaves a play with a sense of persons in having paid out good, sound coin of the realm to see the flattest sort of a fake, and it expressed its wrath in unmeasured terms.

The bills announced the engagement of the White Mahatmas "and their excellent company." The so-called "Mahatmas" were there all right enough, but the company was conspicuous by its absence. All the half-rising feasts were performed by the unaided efforts of "Prof" and Mme. Andoor, and the audience either laughed or yawned at every fresh exhibition of "science." It was especially explained to the public that Prof and Mme. Andoor wish it understood that they do not claim to possess any occult, spiritual or supernatural power. The explanation is perfectly true, as the dull understanding would never dream of attributing power of any description either to the "professor" or his wife.

Last evening after an apparently interminable wait, enlivened only by a jingling piano solo, and a trio by the "Serenaders" that was too pretty to be wasted on such an occasion, the curtain rose on a gloomy cavern built of black cambric, in which a mysterious gentleman, clad in a colonial dress suit of white satin, cavorted breezily around, summoning wooden vases, rubber balls, barrels and flower-pots into existence out of the ambient air, or from behind screens and curtains. After toying for a time with these small deer, to the music of a distressingly modern waltz, the mild-mannered Faust waved away his assortment of household furniture, and summoned a skull and a skeleton, with which cheerful guests the necromancer had a sociable cup of tea to the tune of a funeral march. The skeleton was somewhat unwieldy and awkward in its motions, but the skull was particularly frisky and accommodating, and gyrated about in mid-air as fast as its wires could carry it.

After this mysterious and thrilling exhibition of the horrors of the infernal regions, the curtain fell, and J. M. Shawhan filled in the gap between acts by singing "For Tonight," Mr. Shawhan sang it well, as usual, but the feelings of the audience were not to be suppressed, especially as the title of the song fitted the occasion too well for the joke to be passed over.

Next came some "bizarre and novel cabinet eccentricities" that really carried out the name. Three ponderous and respectable citizens were summoned from the audience to vouch for the genuineness of the miracles about to be performed, and two of them were placed with Mme. Andoor in front of the cabinet made of curtains. Inside the cabinet was a galvanized iron pail, which contained a few dinner bells and some artificial flowers and a full-grown guitar. The curtains were drawn and two of the committee, looking particularly sheepish, were planted in chairs just in front of the mysterious trapezoid. The "professor" then proceeded to put them to bed and to tuck them in by pinning a large sheet around them so as to leave only their heads uncovered. Then everybody awaited developments. A bell rang, then another tumbled down on the floor; then the cabinet was opened, and the three gentlemen looked silly, and the third went around and poked his head into the back of the cabinet, to satisfy himself that it was uninhabited except by spooks. There was another clasp of the curtains, and the curtains were pulled back, revealing a tray of a cat in the dairy, and the novel and bizarre cabinet exhibition was over.

Experiments in "sommnancy" followed, in which Mme. Andoor, safely sheltered behind a sheet, answered written questions from the audience in a way that made the brain reel in the effort to comprehend the awful mystery. All things come to an end, and even this exhibition petered out at last. From all others of the same variety, good Lord deliver us!

LETTERS TO THE TIMES.

Col. Brooks is Requested.

LOS ANGELES, June 6, 1896.—(To the Editor of The Times.) Please request Col. Brooks through the columns of your much read paper to drive all the lewd men out as well as the women. And then, perhaps, the honest women who struggle with adverse fate to make a respectable living, could live in comparative peace, and be saved from the torment imposed upon them by the said lewd men.

Questions. If these sort of men were driven out how many men would be left in Los Angeles? Second—Are those men who visit lewd women any better than said women? Respectfully, PLUTO.

Pause and Reflect.

BLOOMINGTON (Cal.) June 5, 1896.—(To the Editor of The Times.) We are nearing the close of the nineteenth century. We have nearly one more President of the United States to elect during its existence; only one more opportunity to promulgate those principles of government that will best contribute to our interests and well being as a nation and in the light of history, and our present experience we should pause to look around us and reflect before we heedlessly rush across the threshold of the twentieth century. In this connection there are two or three things I wish briefly to present. Up to date, 1896, the political crime of the nineteenth century was committed on the day of the national election in 1892. God, as Henry Watson says, permitted the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, the best friend the South ever had, in order that those engaged in it might drink the full measure of the bitter drugs of slavery; so it would seem that He has in His infinite wisdom allowed the people of the United States to experience, as they certainly have in the last four years, or now nearly so, the blighting and withering influences of free trade, or its synonym tariff reform, in order that, like having the smallpox, they might never be affected by it again. It is a severe remedy, but fortunately it is not, like some political remedies of modern politicians, worse than the disease.

It has been of late clearly manifest by the almost unanimous choice of William McKinley for the nominee of the Republican party for President, that a large majority of the people have done with free trade notions forever.

Maj. McKinley has been selected by the rank and file of the Republican party, which has been largely augmented by sensible reform Democrats (not tariff reform) in spite of the political bosses; not because he is William McKinley, although a grand, good man, but for the reason that he is more immediately identified with the protection idea of our government and his selection emphasizes that principle more than that of any other man.

The indications have been favorable for the people to restore at the next national election in this year of grace, 1896, our country to its normal condition of prosperity. But in view of recent desperate efforts to direct attention

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from the main issue involved, to a minor or side issue, is it possible in order to eventually cure by a woful experience those who for political party purposes as well as those who consent by negligence or indifference; that the ruler of nations will permit another disastrous folly; and that, too, at a time when our country is weaker and less able to bear it than it was four years ago, being weighted and borne down by a heavy load of bonds, an increased debt with a diminished capacity to side on account of the non-employment of millions of our citizens.

Here in Southern California we duly appreciate a tangerine, but the person who would throw away a good average specimen of naval orange in order to obtain a tangerine would be considered a tenderfoot or as having a vitiated taste and poor judgment.

That, however, is about the relation the paramount question of protection sustains to the unlimited free coinage of silver, 16 to 1, under present conditions.

As for me if I can't obtain both I will hold on to the tangerine and let the my time to secure the tangerine also. A LINCOLN REPUBLICAN.

BLACK CARNATIONS.

They Are as Scarce as White Black-birds.

"Black Carnations? Well I guess not," said a Broadway flower-dealer who has made a specialty of raising carnations for the past eight years. "I know some people claim to have grown them, but there's no such thing as a black carnation—not unless they get out at night and paint 'em. You can get a very dark red, but you might as well hunt for hen's teeth as for a genuine black carnation. You can't get a dark yellow, either, but I have often grown a light yellow, and I have seen people say that any flower that runs to reds and yellows won't give a blue, but I have grown blue carnations; at least the nearest to blue that anyone has ever yet made. Here's one of them," and he selected from the bunch beside him a carnation which, if viewed through blue glass, appeared color blind and highly-imaginative person, might possibly seem a shade less pink than its fellows. The reporter, being like all reporters, conscientious, truthful, hinted that it wasn't a very decided indigo and that he had often been bluer than that himself. "Well, that's according to the way you look at it. I call that blue."

"I started in the carnation business with twelve varieties and now I have between four and five hundred, covering five acres of ground. The bizarre carnations are obtained by crossing the flowers. They yield the first season, and then it is easy to propagate by slips."

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